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SUBJ: CODEL HUMPHREY/SCOTT

REFS: A. STATE 148327 B. STATE 149388 C. STATE 149811

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1. RE REFTEL B, SOVIETS HAVE TOLD US THAT V.P. RUBEN, CHAIRMAN OF USSR COUNCIL OF NATIONALITIES, G.A. ARBATOV, DIRECTOR OF INSTITUTE OF USA AND CANADA, A.B. CHAKOVSKIY, CHIEF EDITOR OF LITERARY GAZETTE, AND "THREE OR FOUR OTHER DEPUTIES" WILL MEET CODEL ON ARRIVAL. DEPUTIES INVOLVED IN WORKING MEETINGS LISTED IN REFTEL E.
2. WREATH-LAYING AT TOMB OF UNKNOWN SOLDIER: BECAUSE OF DELAYED ARRIVAL, IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE WREATH-LAYING ON SUNDAY, JUNE 29. SOVIETS HAVE SCHEDULED WREATH-LAYING FOR MONDAY, JUNE 30, AT 0945 AND WE HAVE ORDERED WREATH ACCORDINGLY. AFTER WREATH-LAYING, CODEL WOULD GO DIRECTLY TO KREMLIN SHORT DISTANCE AWAY FOR OPENING MEETING. ASSUME THIS IS ACCEPTABLE TO CODEL.
3. WHEN WE INFORMED SOVIETS OF NEW ARRIVAL TIME, THEY EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE OF RECEIVING FLIGHT INFORMATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, SO THAT FLIGHT CLEARANCE MAY BE

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OBTAINED.

4. PLEASE SUBSTITUTE FSO J. TODD STEWART FOR FSO JACK GOSNELL AS ESCORT OFFICER FOR SENATOR HOLLINGS (REFTEL C).

5. SINCE SOVIET PLANNING TO ASSIGN DOUBLE ROOM TO EACH SENATOR, ROOM COUNT BY OUR CALCULATION IS AS FOLLOWS: TWO TWO-ROOM DOUBLE ROOMS (FOR HUMPHREYS AND SCOTTS), 18 DOUBLE ROOMS (INCLUDING ONE FOR STATE ESCORTS), 12 SINGLE ROOMS. WE WILL BE AT HOTEL JUNE 26 WITH SUPREME SOVIET REPRESENTATIVES TO MAKE ROOM ASSIGNMENTS AND WILL CABLE NUMBERS TO DEPT. AND COPENHAGEN.

6. OUR COPIES OF "BACKGROUND NOTES ON USSR" ARE OUTDATED. COULD DEPARTMENT PROVIDE CODEL WITH SUFFICIENT UP-TO-DATE COPIES?

7. RE REFTEL C., WE WILL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR BREAKFAST WITH BUSINESSMEN AT COMMERCIAL OFFICE, AT 0800, JULY 1. IF TIME PERMITS, WE HOPE SENATORS INVOLVED WILL WALK ACROSS STREET FOR BRIEF LOOK AT EMBASSY. FYI: DIRECTOR OF SOVIET-AMERICAN TRADE AND ECONOMIC COUNCIL HAS INFORMED US THAT COUNCIL HAS ALSO PUT IN REQUEST THROUGH DEPUTY MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE ALKHIMOV FOR SOME TIME WITH SENATORS. THIS WOULD PRIMARILY INVOLVE SOVIET OFFICIALS, AND, IF DESIRED BY SOME OR ALL OF CODEL, WOULD PROBABLY TAKE PLACE ON AFTERNOON OF JULY 1 DURING TIME SCHEDULED FOR SEPARATE MEETINGS. WE SEE NO RPT NO CONFLICT BETWEEN THIS AND BREAKFAST WITH U.S. BUSINESSMEN. STOESEL

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